

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State: New Jersey

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VARIATIONS FROM THE BASIC PERSONAL NEEDS ALLOWANCE

The PNA is increased by the amount of any court ordered child support under which the individual is under and which is actually being paid.

- The increase applies only to court ordered child support made in the same period covered by the PNA; and
- The increase does not apply to any other court ordered payments nor to garnishments for any other reason.

For institutionalized eligible individuals in Title XIX participating facilities, an amount of \$35.00 plus the gross amount of income derived from work (such as sheltered workshop) that is considered essential toward satisfying the individual's developmental need to achieve a certain degree of independence shall be exempt from the Medicaid reimbursement. The combined total exemption may not exceed the community living standard established by a non-institutionalized individual in the same eligibility category, i.e., SSI/MA only or AFDC.

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ELIGIBILITY UNDER SECTION 1931 OF THE ACT

The State covers low-income families and children under section 1931 of the Act.

The following groups were included in the AFDC State plan effective July 16, 1996:

- ☒ Pregnant women with no other eligible children.
- ☒ AFDC children age 18 who are full-time students in a secondary school or in the equivalent level of vocational or technical training.

_____ In determining eligibility for Medicaid, the agency uses the AFDC standards and methodologies in effect as of July 16, 1996 without modification.

_____ In determining eligibility for Medicaid, the agency uses the AFDC standards and methodologies in effect as of July 16, 1996, with the following modifications;

_____ The agency applies lower income standards which are no lower than the AFDC standards in effect on May 1, 1988, as follows:

_____ The agency applies higher income standards than those in effect as of July 16, 1996, increased by no more than the percentage increases in the CPI-U since July 16, 1996, as follows:

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_____ The agency applies higher resource standards than those in effect as of July 16, 1996, increased by no more than the percentage increases in the CPI-U since July 16, 1996, as follows:

X The agency uses less restrictive income and/or resource methodologies than those in effect as of July 16, 1996, as follows:

1. The first \$1,000 of all countable resources is exempt in the eligibility determination. The remaining resources are compared to the resource standard in effect as of July 16, 1996.

2. The equity value of one motor vehicle is exempt up to \$9,500.

3. For families receiving benefits under section 1931, the earned income from wages is disregarded for the 12 months following receipt if this income would otherwise cause them to lose eligibility under section 1931.

4. The Early Employment Initiative payments will be disregarded in the month in which the payments are received.

The income and/or resource methodologies that the less restrictive methodologies replace are as follows:

1. In effect as of July 16, 1996, there was no disregard of countable resources.

2. In effect as of July 16, 1996, the equity value of a motor vehicle was exempt up to \$1,500.

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3. In effect as of July 16, 1996, there was no disregard of earned income if the family had already received any other time-limited disregards and the receipt of such income caused the family to otherwise lose section 1931 eligibility.

4. In effect as of July 16, 1996, there was no disregard of employment incentive payments. Similar payments were disregarded prior to that date.

_____ The agency terminates medical assistance (except for certain pregnant women and children) for individuals who fail to meet TANF work requirements.

_____ The agency continues to apply the following waivers of provisions of Part A of Title IV in effect as of July 16, 1996, or submitted prior to August 22, 1996 and approved by the Secretary on or before July 1, 1997.

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